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### NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

#### PART I.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to AMDT B filed on 7/24/97
2. ☒ All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course.
3. ☒ The allowed claims are 1-6, 13, 15-20, 22-35, 37, 40-48, 50-53 renumbered as 1-43
4. ☐ The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are acceptable.
5. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has ☐ been received. ☐ not been received. ☐ been filed in parent application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_
6. ☒ Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
7. ☐ Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413.
8. ☐ Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
9. ☐ Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
10. ☐ Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449.

#### PART II.

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  - a. ☐ Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - b. ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - c. ☐ Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - d. ☐ Formal drawings are now REQUIRED.

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#### Attachments:

- Examiner's Amendment
- Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413
- Reasons for Allowance
- Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
- Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449
- Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152
- Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
- Listing of Bonded Draftsmen
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| APPLICATION NO.       | FILING DATE | TOTAL CLAIMS | EXAMINER AND GROUP ART UNIT | DATE MAILED   |
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| First Named Applicant | CLAPP, DOUG |              |                             |               |

TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM FOR AUDIO/VIDEO COMMUNICATION WITH LOCAL RECEIVE INTERFACE THAT AUTOMATICALLY DETERMINES FORMAT OF CODED SIGNALS AND OUTPUT INTERFACE RECEIVES COORDINATION INSTRUCTION PRODUCED BY SEPARATE HOST (AS AMENDED)

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### Part III EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Pursuant to MPEP 606.01, the title has been changed to read:

“SYSTEM FOR AUDIO/VISUAL COMMUNICATION WITH LOCAL RECEIVE INTERFACE THAT AUTOMATICALLY DETERMINES FORMAT OF CODED SIGNALS AND OUTPUT INTERFACE RECEIVES COORDINATION INSTRUCTION PRODUCED BY SEPARATE HOST.”

### *Conclusion*

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Anderson Chen, whose telephone number is (703) 305-9593 or via email, *anderson.chen@uspto.gov*. The Examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Thomas C. Lee, can be reached at (703) 305-9717. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-5359.

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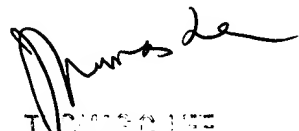
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Any inquiry of a general nature of relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-9600.

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